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Snohomish County's NCRTS Solid Waste Facility Service Disruption October 13-29

One of two compactors to be replaced at facility

EVERETT, Wash., October 8, 2021 – Just like any mechanically based operation, Snohomish County Solid Waste facility tools incur wear and tear over time. Thousands of customers visit each week as staff operate large machinery, such as compactors, to condense and move heavy piles of garbage to their proper destination. Snohomish County will replace a compactor that has reached the end of its useful life at the North County Recycling and Transfer Station (NCRTS) from October 13-29. This work will leave the facility with just one active compactor during the process – potentially causing some service delays for customers.

"Maintaining our equipment in proper working order is paramount to keeping our facilities at peak processing power," Snohomish County Solid Waste Director Kevin Kelly said. "We are keeping the facility open during this scheduled maintenance because we understand how important these services are to Snohomish County residents and businesses. Our number one priority is making sure our facilities remain safe and of the highest quality for our customers."

Solid Waste is performing this temperature-dependent work outside of the facility's busiest seasons to reduce the impact on customers. Garbage disposal customers are encouraged to use alternate Snohomish County Solid Waste facilities, such as the Airport Road Recycling and Transfer Station, to relieve service pressure from NCRTS. Residents are discouraged from using out-of-county facilities as each site is setup for a certain volume of refuse.

Here is a list of the alternate Snohomish County Solid Waste facilities available to customers:

- Granite Falls Drop Box 7526 Menzel Lake Rd, Granite Falls
 Garbage and Recycling: 7 a.m. 4:30 p.m., Sunday and Thursday
- Dubuque Road Drop Box 19619 Dubuque Rd, Snohomish
 Garbage and Recycling: 7 a.m. 4:30 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday
- Sultan Drop Box 33014 Cascade View Drive, Sultan
 Garbage and Recycling: 7 a.m. 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday
- Airport Road Recycling & Transfer Sta. 10700 Minuteman Drive, Everett, WA 98204
 Garbage and Recycling: 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., seven days a week
- Southwest Recycling & Transfer Sta. 21311 61st Place West, Mountlake Terrace Garbage and Recycling: 7 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., seven days a week

The potential service delays will not impact recycling services at the NCRTS facility.

For more information, the public can all 425-388-3425. Customers can also check traditional traffic volumes and real-time traffic cameras for all facilities by visiting the Solid Waste facilities webpage.

About Snohomish County Public Works

Snohomish County Public Works is responsible for approximately 1,600 miles of county roads, more than 200 bridges and manages about 200 traffic control signals. The department also processes nearly 600,000 tons of garbage per year. Its mission is to focus on safety and mobility while practicing fiscal responsibility and preserving the environment. Public Works has won numerous state and national honors for its work and is the largest department within Snohomish County government with approximately 500 employees plus seasonal staff. Its main office is located at 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Everett, WA 98201.

Visit <u>www.snohomishcountywa.gov/PublicWorks</u> or follow the department on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> for more information about Snohomish County Public Works.

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